

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Board Workshop TOPS Ballot Initiative Recommendation Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 2, 2021

Members Present: Ron Ilgen, Carol Beckman, Dr. Daniel Bowan, Larry Bogue, David Siegel,

Sarah Bryarly, Abby Simpson, Jason Rupinski

**Members Absent:** Greg Thornton

Alternates Present: Andrea Perry, Lisa Weiland

Staff Present: Karen Palus, Kurt Schroeder, Kim King, Britt Haley, Anna White, Scott Abbott

Called to Order: Board Chair Ron Ilgen brought the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

## **Action Item**

**TOPS Ballot Initiative Recommendation** (Presented by Karen Palus, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director, and Britt Haley, Design and Development Manager/TOPS Program Manager)

After reviewing the TOPS Working Committee recommendation as well as polling information provided by the Trust for Public Land, the Board discussed multiple options of funding, years of extension, and finally, different breakdowns of percentages.

Motion #1: To support a 0.15% tax increase for a total amount of 0.25% and a twenty-year extension of the Trails, Open Space, and Parks tax.

1<sup>st</sup> – Carol Beckman, 2<sup>nd</sup> – David Siegel, Approved, Unanimously.

<u>Motion #2</u>: The TOPS Tax be allocated with the 3% for administration and 6% for maintenance and stewardship off the top, 30% for parks, 30% for trails, 40% for open space, with no more than 30% of any category to be spent on maintenance for all parks, trails, and open spaces, along with City Council continuing a maintenance of effort for general funding Parks support if the increase passes.

1<sup>st</sup> – David Siegel, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dr. Daniel Bowan, Approved, Unanimously.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

Motion: Move to adjourn the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Advisory Board workshop at 1:48

1<sup>st</sup> – David Siegel, 2nd – Carol Beckman, Approved, Unanimously.